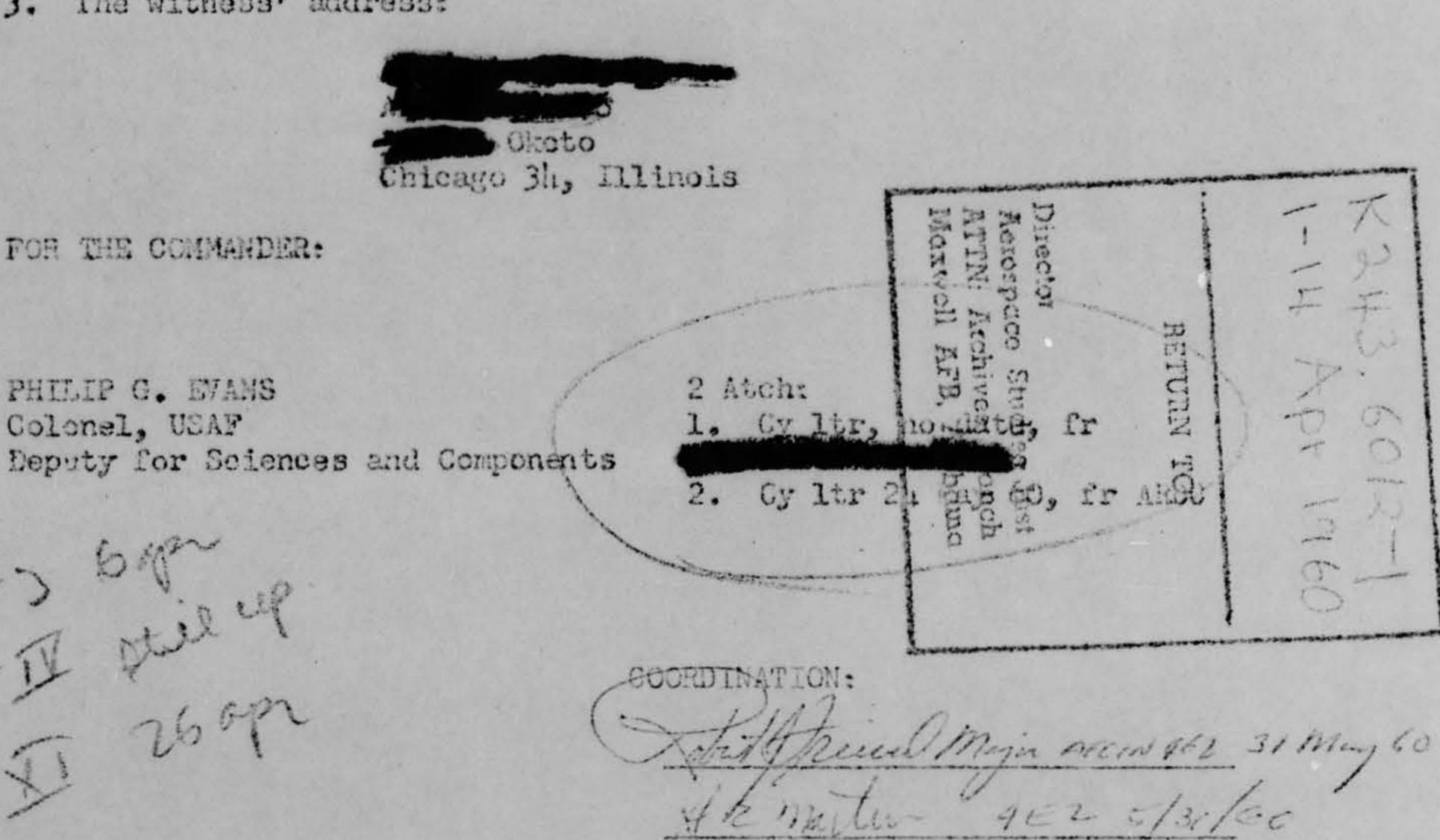
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Colonel, USAF

Ltr, Hq 1st Missile Div, VAFB, 10 May 60, Letter of Transmittel

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MAY 24 1960

TO: ATIC (AFCIN-4F3C, ATTN: ItCol James C. Fox), WPAFB, Obio

- 1. Forwarded as possibly being a source of information on Sputnik IV.
- 2. Attached is copy of a letter of acknowledgment sent to

FOR THE COMMANDER:

DANIEL W. WICKLAND
Colonel, USAF

DCS/Intelligence

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to

HEADQUARTERS 1ST MISSILE DIVISION UNITED STATES AIR FORCE VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA

REPLY TO

DXI ATTN OF:

10 May 1960

Letter of Transmittal SUBJECT:

> AFBMD TO:

> > Forwarded is a letter from for your information and necessary action.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

JOHN J. GOSHERT

2nd Lt, USAF

Deputy, Community Relations

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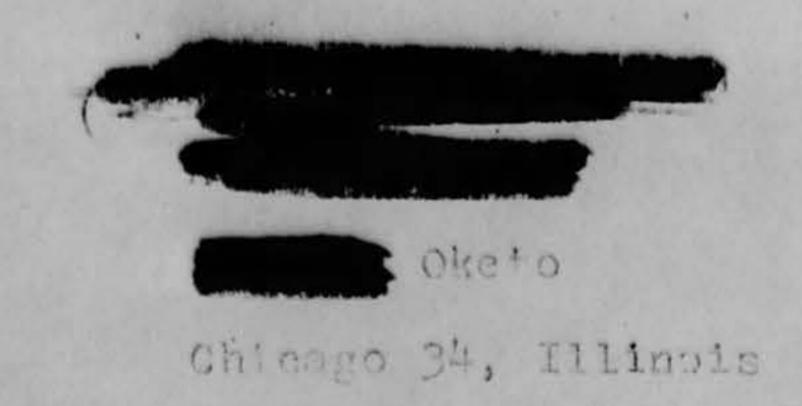
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Vandenberg Air Force Base
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Officers; Gen+lemen:

I am in the Air Reserve, Hq ConAC (IRS) ARBC, and am at present enrolled in a course of astronomy at the Adler Planetarium. A Survey
of Nodern Astronomy. Since astronomy has always, to and extent, intrigued me; and since my eyesight is considered to be normal ---- I
hope what I have to say here is not taken as lightly as some of the
letters I am sure you have received.

In regard to Sputnik IV: I may have seen its disintegration. Perhaps within twelve hours of its predicted eclipse.

In regard to Discoverer XI and capsule: I may have seen its disintegration. It seemed to be quite different from that of Sputnik LV, or what I assumed to be Sputnik LV. (Clarification ---- the capsule's disintegration.) I would very much like to write you another letter concerning the above. However, I wouldn't want to was'e your time as well as mine by continuing what might appear to be fiction. Therefore: an acknowledgment of this letter would be appreciated and in such a case I would do my best to give details concerning azimuth, time, length of flameout, duration of flameout, color, brilliance, characteristics of descent, etc. Thank you for your patience.

Respectfully,

HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE BALLISTIC MISSILE DIVISION (ARDC) UNITED STATES AIR FORCE Air Force Unit Post Office, Los Angeles 45, California WDYI MAY 24 1960 Chicago 34, Illinois

Thank you for your letter concerning your possible observation of the disintegration of Sputnik IV. I have forwarded the letter to the Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, which is the organization that compiles information on Soviet satellites.

Information from independent observations such as yours can add to the Air Force's knowledge of activities in space. Your initiative is appreciated.

Sincerely

Reply to

Attn of

DANIEL W. WICKLAND Colonel, USAF DCS/Intelligence

at 16 2

7 June 1960

Dear 1

This is to thank you for your recent letter addressed to Vandenberg Air Force Base concerning Sputnik IV and Discoverer XI.

In order to evaluate your sightings I am inclosing standard Air Force UFO questionnaires with the request that you complete in detail for these sightings. I will refer these completed questionnaires to the Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio for analysis and evaluation.

The Air Force appreciates your initiative in reporting what may be important scientific information.

Sincerely,

Inclosures

LAWRENCE J. TACKER
Major, USAF
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Chicago 34, Illinois

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AEROSPACE TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER UNITED STATES AIR FORCE WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE OHIO

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